

Wilson Approves Licensing of Food Dealers in Nation

Hoover Announces Plan Will Be Put in Operation Immediately

Rules Govern Sales

Prices Will Be Limited to Fair Profit for Handlers of Staples

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—Regulations governing the handling of foodstuffs under the licensing of manufacturers and dealers were approved by President Wilson today, and will be put into operation by the food administration immediately.

Forty thousand licenses were sent to food retailers throughout the country today by the food administration. Twenty thousand more will be sent out Monday. Estimated place the number of dealers who will come under the licensing system at 100,000. Regulations for conduct of business will be sent to food dealers early next week.

Objects of the Rules

The principal objects of the rules, a food administration statement today sets forth, are:

"To limit the prices charged by every licensee to a reasonable amount over expenses, and to forbid the acquisition of speculative profits from a rising market."

"To keep all food commodities moving to the consumer in as direct a line as possible and with as little delay."

"To limit, as far as practicable, contracts for future delivery and to curb dealings in future contracts."

"Under the food control act, in addition to the power to promulgate rules, the President is given broad powers to deal with individual cases. This power will be freely exercised to accomplish the three purposes set out above. If every licensee will make those purposes the cardinal principles of his business and obey the law and the regulations, he will be free from interference by the government. Violation is cause for revoking any license, as well as subjecting the offender to such criminal penalties as may be prescribed."

Also Have Special Rules

There are a large number of general rules governing all licensees, together with additional special regulations for various trades in which there are special conditions or specific abuses to be overcome.

Elimination of excessive prices charged by small retailers, who are not subject to license, will be accomplished by a rule forbidding licensees to sell foods to any person who charges excessive prices.

An important rule provides that no licensee shall "import, manufacture, store, distribute, sell or otherwise handle any food commodities on an unjust, exorbitant, unreasonable, discriminatory or unfair commission, profit or storage charge."

Resales within the trade without reasonable justification, if tending to result in higher market prices, will be dealt with as unfair practices. All shipments are to be made in carlots, in cars loaded to maximum capacity.

Diplomats Hear U. S. Recognizes Japan as Guardian of China

Viscount Ishii Said to Have Negotiated New Treaty When Here

Auto Plant Shares Are Sold Heavily

Drop in Prices Follows Talk of Commandeering

Shares of those concerns engaged in the manufacture of automobiles whose plants are to be partly commandeered for government work were heavily sold yesterday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Whether this was "good" short selling, "illegitimate" short selling, or just plain liquidation could not be learned from the officials of the exchange, but the result was a sharp decline in quotations for that class of securities.

General Motors stock declined 2½ points to 86. Chandler Motor shares lost 2½ points, closing at 69. A decline of 1½ in Maxwell Motor common carried that stock off to 19½.

Studebaker did not fare quite so badly, closing ½ lower at 36, but the first preferred stock of the Willis-Overland Company dropped 1½ points to 76½.

4,943 Killed Here in Year

Number Is Greater Than the Union Loss at Gettysburg

More persons died violent deaths in New York City in 1916 than were killed on the Union side in the battle of Gettysburg. According to the report issued yesterday by the Legislation League for the Conservation of Human Life, 4,943 unnatural deaths occurred in the city in the year. Records for the last nine months show that that number will be increased this year. The Federal loss at Gettysburg was less than 4,000 killed.

According to George P. Le Brun, secretary of the league, at least 75 per cent of the deaths were avoidable, first on the part of the street railways—229 in 1915, 269 in 1916.

School of Printing Urged Mayor's Committee Suggests Plan to Education Board

A recommendation for the establishment of a school of printing in this city was made in a survey of Mayor Mitchell's Industrial Education Committee, published yesterday. The proposal to found a school of printing is an attempt to overcome "technical deficiencies and handicaps in the training of skillful printers."

This constructive suggestion, it is announced, has the endorsement of the Association of Employing Printers and the Master Printers' Association, which represent nearly all the employing printers of the city, and also of Typographical Union No. 6, the Allied Printing Trades Council, Printing Pressmen's Union No. 23, Franklin Union No. 23, New York Newspaper Web Printing Pressmen's Union No. 25 and the New York Job Press Feeders' Union No. 1.

The committee, which has been studying conditions in the printing trades for ten months, recommended that the city build the school of printing in the old Wynkoop-Hallenbeck building, purchased by the city in connection with the Courthouse site. This site, the committee points out, is in the heart of the printing trades district.

Five Housekeepers Guard City's Table

The rising cost of necessities of life has affected the various departments of the city government much less than the individual citizens, declared Leonard M. Wallstein, Commissioner of Accounts, yesterday. He was reviewing the achievements in economy of the central purchasing committee, which buys supplies for all the departments under Mayor Mitchell.

"The committee," Mr. Wallstein said in a public statement, "which is composed of Mayor Mitchell, chairman; Controller Freudenberger, Lewis H. Pounds, Borough President of Brooklyn; Lamar Hardy, Corporation Counsel; and myself, is watching the city's household bills more closely than the household watches his own."

Using greater foresight in avoiding unnecessary increases of cost than the average householder. Through a careful buying policy the city has purchased all the meat, groceries, milk, coal and other necessities of life required for the care of the inmates of its hospitals and asylums to the end of this year at prices already fixed."

Contracts for coal deliveries for the city departments this year, Mr. Wallstein added, have resulted in a saving of \$420,000 through consolidated buying. Altogether the central committee, he said, has made 9,300 contracts for the delivery of various commodities in 1917. Most of these purchases were made in the open market, involving contracts for \$1,000 or less.

U. S. Will Stabilize Livestock Prices

CHICAGO, Nov. 3.—Members of the National Association of Livestock Exchanges met here today with Joseph P. Cotton, head of the meat division of the federal food administration.

The subject discussed was the stabilization of production and prices of livestock in connection with Mr. Cotton's ultimate purpose of fixing meat prices for the country.

Mr. Cotton said that the first step by the food administration would be to stop the sudden break in prices paid for hogs at the central markets, and steady.

"These prices must become stable, so that the farmer knows where he stands and will feel justified in increasing hogs for next winter. The prices for hogs as we can affect them will not go below a minimum of about \$16.50 a hundredweight for the average of the packers' drives on the Chicago market until further notice."

In regard to the price of feed for hogs he said:

"We will try to stabilize the price of corn, so that the farmer can count on getting for each 100 pounds of hogs ready for market, the same times the average cost a bushel of the corn fed into the hogs."

Alphonse Koelble Indorses Hillquit

Alphonse G. Koelble, former chairman of the law committee of Tammany Hall and at one time president of the German-American Society of New York and honorary president of the German-American Alliance of New York, has come out for Morris Hillquit and an early peace. In his letter declaring his allegiance to the Socialist candidate for Mayor, Mr. Koelble says:

"Although I shall generally support the Democratic ticket, I shall vote for you for Mayor, not because I wish to indorse Socialism, but because you are the logical candidate of those in our citizenry who stand for the preservation of our democracy against a war to a bitter end."

"Many of our citizens believe that the development of our democracy has been retarded by the adoption of a militaristic constitution and by a declaration of war made in violation of the plain mandate of the people at the last election 'to keep us out of war' and without first obtaining the 'consent of the governed' to enter such a war. They believe that our democracy is being undermined by the unnecessary abridgment of the fundamental rights of free speech, free press and free assembly, which are the greatest safeguards of the people's liberties."

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More Than 5,000,000 Sign Food Saving Pledge

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—With probably little more than half the country heard from, returns from the food pledge week campaign today passed the 5,000,000 mark. The official tabulation showed 5,000,402 families enrolled as members of the United States food administration. A statement issued today said that it probably would be at least ten days before anything like complete results could be announced, since New York State has definitely decided to carry its drive over another week, and indications are that about twenty other states will follow suit.

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Milk Distributors Agree Not to Raise Prices for a Week

Government Agents Continue Efforts to Prevent Increase Later

Plan National Control

Intimate Proposal for Federal Board to Fix Rates Is Being Considered

By combining forces the three food administrators with jurisdiction in New York City managed yesterday to stave off for another week at least an increase in the retail cost of milk. This was the result of two days of conference among the Federal, state and city food administrators, the milk producers and milk distributors which closed last yesterday.

In the meantime further efforts will be made to make the price agreement permanent. Government agents intimated that a national milk commission to fix prices was being considered.

The milk distributors, under yesterday's agreement, will continue selling milk at the October price until Sunday. Representatives of the farmers, however, exacted fulfillment of the terms of their contract with the retail dealers, which called for half a cent increase in the wholesale price of milk November 1.

This means that the farmers are being paid an average of 74 cents a quart. The October wholesale price was 69 cents. The retail price is 14 and 16 cents for Grades B and A in bottles and from 10 to 12 cents for Grade B milk in bulk at grocery stores. Grade B bottled, bought in grocery stores, continues at October prices, 12 cents a quart.

To meet the temporary concession of the milk distributors, representatives of the farmers pledged themselves to do their utmost to prevent another increase by producers next month when the cost of milk production reaches the highest point.

The conference, held in the office of Federal Food Administrator William L. Gurnea, was attended by John Mitchell, chairman of the State Food Commission; Jacob Gould Schurman, Charles A. Wieting, Herbert Pratt, assistant Federal Food Commissioner; Henry Moskowitz, City Market Commissioner, and representatives of the producers and distributors.

1 Family of Every Four In Country Has Signed Food Economy Pledge

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—One family of every four in the country has signed food pledge cards, the food administration announced today on the basis of incomplete returns from the intensive pledge campaign conducted during the week. Nearly 5,000,000 signatures had been reported by volunteer workers.

"Every indication to-night," said the announcement, "is that official reports will show that fully 10,000,000 persons have signed cards. In response to the request of a score of states, the campaigning will be continued throughout the next week."

California led the states which had reported to-night, with a total of 251,178 cards signed; New Jersey was second, with 244,491; Michigan third, with 213,851, and Indiana fourth, with 179,339.

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"WHILE I was enjoying an after-dinner cigar and a magazine article the other evening, my wife took up my evening paper as usual. Presently she spoke. 'John,' she said, 'don't you want to give us a little music?'"

"Surely," I said, going over to the music cabinet. "What shall I play? classic, popular, or what?"

"Oh, play anything," she answered, "I like it all."

"So I selected my program and carried the rolls over to the piano. Two pieces of Nevin's: 'A Venetian Love Song' and the 'Gondolier.' Chopin's 'Ballade in A Flat,' Liszt's '12th Hungarian Rhapsodie,' Beethoven's 'Sonata Pathétique' (the Andante Movement), a 'Romance' by Pascal, a Medley of Popular Broadway Hits, and a rattling new fox-trot by Ted Eastwood.

"I adjusted the first roll—the 'Venetian Love Song'—put my feet on the treadles, my hands on the expression levers and—lo! The music had me. No longer John Smith, merchant—I became John Smith, artist, dreamer, poet. All the deeper forces of my nature stirred into life. Emotions, dumb and unsuspected at other times, rose and thrilled me. I felt intensely and, thanks to modern inventive skill, expressed my feelings.

"The soft, melodious measures painted pictures in my mind. It is twilight on the Grand Canal. The sweet hush of evening is unbroken, save by the lapping of the water against steps worn by the feet of countless generations of Venetian nobility.

"Swiftly and silently a gondola approaches and is deftly brought beneath a latticed window overlooking the Canal. The gondolier lifts a guitar from velvet cushions, swings the ribbon over his head, strikes a soft chord, and to the window above float the love-tones Nevin's heart gave to the world.

"Personal pleasure—and enjoyment for others

"There, it is finished. I come back from fancy's world and put in the next roll, while my wife says, with a little sigh, 'Wasn't that exquisite? You played it beautifully.'"

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Gurley Flynn in Jail

Joins Ninety-nine Other Indicted I. W. W. Members

CHICAGO, Nov. 3.—Claude R. Porter, United States District Attorney at Des Moines, Iowa, came here today to assist District Attorney Charles F. Clynne in the prosecution of the I. W. W. members recently indicted by a Federal grand jury.

The arrival here today of four indicted I. W. W. members from New York brought the number now in jail

here to 100. Twenty-five are said to be under arrest in other cities, and the remainder of 166, against whom indictments stand, are at large.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and John Baldesi were among those brought to Chicago from New York today. The latter was not given an opportunity to furnish bond, authorities declaring he is an anarchist and too dangerous to be at large.

Bellevue Gets Assault of Women in Broadway

Antoni Karasinski, of 137 East Fifth Street, was arrested Friday afternoon after he had attacked four

young women in Broadway at Liberty Street, was committed to the psychiatric ward at Bellevue yesterday by Magistrate Koenig in the Tombs court.

Dr. Amos F. Baker, the Police Department alienist, testified that he believed Karasinski was insane. Magistrate Koenig said he would entertain a complaint of felonious assault if the prisoner were found to be sane.

Two Brazilian Ships Torpedoed

RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 3.—The Brazilian steamships Acary, formerly the German steamer Ebernburg, 4,275 tons gross, and Guaraby have been torpedoed in European waters. Two men were killed and four injured.

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